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### Via E-Mail and U.S. Mail

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Re: *DuSable Park*

Dear Ms. Martwick:

Thank you for your letter of July 18, 2007. We provide the following information in response to your questions:

1. An explanation of how the developer moved the jersey barriers onto the site.

Answer: The jersey barriers were brought onto the site by truck and unloaded by a small crane.

2. A description of the soils and vegetation that were located in the perimeter around the site.

Answer: The soils located at the perimeter of the site are typical urban fill material. The vegetation at the perimeter of the site included small trees and brush.

3. A description of where the soils and vegetation from the perimeter are now located.

Answer: All excavated soils remain along the perimeter of the site. These soils were scraped back approximately 10-15 feet from their original location. All vegetation remains along the perimeter of the site, with the exception of a truck load of tree trunks, which was transported off-site.

4. A description of the type of equipment used to move the soils and vegetation from the perimeter to its current location.

Answer: Komatsu PC300 hydraulic excavator

5. A description of how the soils and vegetation from the perimeter were moved to their current location.



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Answer: The soil and vegetation was stripped back from the sheeting wall using the bucket on the hydraulic excavator.

6. The dates the developer conducted the above described work.

Answer: The contractor conducted the work on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.

7. The number of workers on site during the dates work was conducted.

Answer: Approximately six workers were on site during the dates the work was conducted.

8. A description of whether the developer or any agents applied for and obtained a permit from the Chicago Department of Environment; if yes, please provide a copy of such permit.

Answer: Neither the developer nor its agent applied for or obtained a permit for the work from the Chicago Department of Environment.

STS provided U.S. EPA with the results of its surface survey of the perimeter of the site by e-mail on July 20, 2007. The survey did not identify any elevated thorium levels. We understand that these results were confirmed by U.S. EPA personnel present during the survey.

We appreciate your assistance with this important project. Please call me with any questions.

Very truly yours,



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